

The Board of County Commissioners Of Riley County, Kansas

The Regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners met at the Riley County Office Building this 26th day of February, 2001 with the following members present: Russ Frey, Chairman; Bob Newsome, Vice Chairman; Alvan Johnson, Member; and Rich Vargo, County Clerk.

8:30 Public Comment

Johnson moved to approve the minutes of February 22, 2001 as amended. Newsome seconded. Carried 3 -0.

9:00 Business Meeting

Corey Swisher, Budget and Finance Officer, attended.

Newsome moved to appoint Tom Taulas a member of the Riley County Planning Board, the term expires December 31, 2003. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 -0.

Swisher reported funds are budgeted for the cooling tower replacement for the Carnegie building.

Johnson moved to approve the bid for the cooling tower replacement for the Carnegie building to Mid-America Water and Plumbing, Inc. for \$24,735.00 to be paid from the County Building fund. Newsome seconded. Carried 3 -0.

No action was taken on the Vacation Order for a portion of North Railroad Street in Keats. The Board of County Commissioners asked for further clarification on notification of the vacation.

The Board of County Commissioners signed Riley County Personnel Appointment for Adam Bestwick, Seasonal Laborer, in the Noxious

Weed/Household Hazardous Waste Department, for Separation from County Service, effective February 16, 2001.

The Board of County Commissioners signed Riley County Personnel Request to Fill Position for Legal Intern in the Riley County Attorney's Office.

9:30 Press Conference

Steve Foreman, KMAN; Mark Scott, Manhattan Mercury; Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Sam Schmidt, Appraiser; Abby Bleck, TV6; Dan Harden, Director of Public Works/County Engineer; Alan Ladd, Director of Extension; Greg Eyestone, Extension; and Lynda Nyberg, League of Women Voters, attended.

Eyestone reported the first Manhattan Area Garden Show at Pottorf Hall will begin Friday, March 2, 2001 from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., Saturday, March 3, 2001 from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 4, 2001 from 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Ladd reported the rain over the weekend did help fill the farm ponds. Ladd said the wheat should be in good shape, but oat plantings will be delayed due to field conditions. Ladd said a Youth Lawn Mowing Clinic will be held March 13, 2001 from 4:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at Pottorf Hall.

Vargo reported advance voting closes today, February 26, 2001 at 12:00 (noon).

Harden reported the bridge work on Silver Creek Roads scheduled for Wednesday has been postponed due to weather conditions.

Harden reported bids for improvements to the Konzawaters system have been received. Harden said the improvements will be discussed at a public

meeting Thursday, March 1, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of County
Commission Chambers.

Harden said weekend flooding caused damage on Mill Cove Road.

Harden reported that on Friday, February 23, 2001, road sign vandalism
occurred in the County. Harden said the repairs will cost approximately
\$1,000.00 and has the potential to cause serious traffic hazards.

Schmidt said residential real estate values increased 10% and commercial
property 4% for the budget year 2002.

Schmidt reported change of Value Notices will be mailed Thursday, March
1, 2001. Schmidt said taxpayers have 30 days from the date the value notices
are mailed to request an appeal.

Morgan reported the State of Kansas has a Certified Public Manager
Program, which he attended last week.

10:00 Dan Harden, Director of Public Works/County Engineer

Mark Scott, Manhattan Mercury; and Lynda Nyberg, League of Women
Voters, attended.

Discussion followed on Hunters Island, Konza and Moehlman Bottoms
Water Benefit District Emergency Water Supply Plans.

Johnson moved to place on the business meeting agenda March 1, 2001
action on the Hunter's Island, Konza and Moehlman Bottoms Water Benefit
District Emergency Water Supply Plans. Newsome seconded. Carried 3 -0.

Discussion followed on Riley County participating in the Energy Star
program.

The Board of County Commissioners, by consensus, instructed the Public Works Department to investigate the feasibility of Riley County participating in the Energy Star program.

10:40 Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees – Bill Durkee

Stan Morgan, Counselor/ Director of Administrative Services; and Lyndal Nyberg, League of Women Voters, attended.

Durkee said obstetrics will be moved from the Mercy on Sunset facility. Durkee said the third floor of the Mercy on Sunset facility will then be converted to inpatient rehabilitation.

Discussion followed on the Memorial Hospital Board and the Mercy Health Center relationship.

11:00 Approve Vouchers

Stan Morgan, Counselor/ Director of Administrative Services; and Lyndal Nyberg, League of Women Voters, attended.

Johnson moved to approve warrant vouchers for February 28, 2001.

County General	\$299,641.27
Court Trustee Operations	567.74
Project Impact	991.54
22 nd Dist Juvenile Serv	1,104.49
Riley Co. Juvenile Service	3,095.14
22 nd Jud Dist Adult Serv	1,396.31
21 st Jud Dist Teen Court	5.05
Law Enforcement Center	22,413.87
Riley Co Adult Services	1,471.02
Capital Improvements Fund	10,608.02
Emergency 911	3,468.32
Workers Compensation Rsrv	318.77
Solid Waste	85,178.32
County Building	1,993.50
Landfill Closure	547.17
Riley Co Fire Dist #1	4,871.28
University Park W&S	1,556.39

Hunters Island Water Dist	1,745.01
Tatarrax Hills W&S	2,170.52
Deep Creek Sewer	158.43
Moehlman Bottoms	850.79
Valleywood Operations	4,772.69
Terra Heights Sewer	205.32
Konza Water Operations	1,082.85
Valleywood Stormwater Ope	45.95
Barnes Road Water Dist	172.13
Konza Sewer IIT Note	110.66

TOTAL..... \$352,739.65

Newsome seconded. Carried 3 -0.

1:15 Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services

- **Administrative Work Session**

1:15 Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services

and Corey Swisher, Budget and Finance Officer

Discussion followed on Community College expenditures.

1:35 Public Hearing – Monty Wedel, Director of Planning and

Development and Pam Gordon, Area Agency on Aging

Carroll Hess, Area Agency on Aging; Corey Swisher, Budget and Finance Officer; and Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services, attended.

Discussion followed on the consideration of a Community Development Block Grant Application on behalf of the Area Agency on Aging to remodel the building at 4th and Houston.

2:05 Bill Lansdowne, Director of Information Systems and Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services

Corey Swisher, Budget and Finance Officer, attended.

Discussion followed on the Thin Client implementation.

Lansdowne stated thirteen Smart terminals have been installed in the Treasurer's Office and that only minor problems have occurred. Lansdowne said three Smart terminals will be installed in the Clerk's office next.

Lansdowne stated the County's internet received a virus two weeks ago and the last virus the County received was in May 2000. Lansdowne said the Information Systems Department is re-evaluating the antivirus provider the County uses.

2:35 Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services

Discussion followed on the Law Enforcement Center.

Discussion followed on the Wharton Manor building.

3:15 Newsome moved to go into executive session with Counselor based on attorney client privilege to discuss personnel matters and to protect the privacy of the individual until 3:30. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 -0.

3:30 Newsome moved to go out of executive session. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 -0.

3:30 Newsome moved to adjourn. Frey seconded. Carried 3 -0.